

## MEXICO BOY AND COLUMBIA GIRL WED

Frank F. Haggard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Haggard of this city, and Miss Pearl V. Bundy, of Columbia, were married Sunday morning in Centralia. The wedding, which was marked by simplicity, took place in the study of the Baptist church at 10:30 o'clock, the minister officiating.

The bridegroom was driven to Centralia by his father Sunday morning. They were met there by the bride, her brother and a girl friend. Most of Mr. Haggard's friends here were taken by surprise.

For the last four months the young man has been affiliated with the firm of Fredendall and Wilkins, in their department store and is a young man of ability and high ideals. His father is known well here, and is a deacon in the Baptist church.

The bride, who has been in the registration office of the University of Missouri, at Columbia, will be in Mexico for New Year's, the work of beginning a new semester in the University preventing her coming earlier. She is a most charming and accomplished young woman. Mr. Haggard and his son returned here Tuesday afternoon. The Ledger joins in extending congratulations and best wishes.

### POWELL FORD

This weather is not much like Xmas, but it certainly is fine. Hobart Cook and sister, Ruth, are home for the holidays. Miss Gertrude Maus is visiting at the Cook home. The Xmas tree and exercises at Carter school house quite a success. Bro. Wait has been employed to preach at Sun Rise the coming year. Mr. and Mrs. Milford Berry, M. N. Powell and sister Minnie, spent Xmas day with J. P. Powell and family in Mexico.

## MR. HUGHES MARRIES 2 COUPLES WED.

The marriage of Miss Eula Pierce to Everett Lovitt took place at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening at the home of the officiating minister, the Rev. J. H. Hughes. Both young people are well known in Mexico. The bride is the daughter of J. A. Pierce and is a graduate of McMillan High School. For some time she has been employed by Arthur Berger as stenographer. They will continue to make their home in Mexico.

At 3 o'clock Mr. Hughes performed the marriage ceremony of Stewart McLeod of Palmyra and Josephine Reilly of Hannibal.

The Ledger extends congratulations and best wishes to both young couples.

### FORMER MEXICO MAN BURIED HERE DIED IN ST. LOUIS HOSPITAL

Funeral services for Charles Hedge, former resident of Mexico who died in St. Louis Friday night, were held at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon from the Bush Undertaking Parlor. Rev. A. A. Wallace officiated, and burial took place in Elmwood Cemetery.

The following were the pall bearers: William E. Lines, H. P. Rudasill, Joe Botkins, S. M. Locke, and Frank Towson.

Mr. Hedge's death occurred in the Tuberculosis Hospital, at St. Louis. The body was brought here Saturday night. He was born April 1, 1893, in McDonnellville, Ohio, moving to Mexico with his parents when still a child.

His father and mother died before he was 15 years old. After a long residence here he removed to St. Louis and entered the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, where he remained until his last illness. He was 69 years old at his death.

The news of Mr. Hedge's death was received with regret by a large number of old friends here. The Ledger joins in extending sympathy to the bereaved.

The deceased was a cousin of Mrs. Joel Gard, of north of town, and Mrs. Alice Ecton, of this city.

### STRIKE OUT FREE SEED CLAUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—For the first time in years the house Friday voted to eliminate from the agricultural appropriation bill the provision under which congressmen distribute free seed among their constituents. An amendment by Representative Langley, Republican of Kentucky providing the usual free seed appropriation of \$360,000 was beaten, 71 to 74.

A move to reinstate the free seed provision will be made later when the bill is in conference.

Small Blaze Tuesday. The home of W. L. Davenport, at 421 east Jackson st., was slightly damaged by fire Tuesday morning about 9 o'clock.

### Marriage Licenses

Marriage licenses were issued Saturday to Frank F. Haggard, of Mexico and Miss Pearl V. Bundy, of Columbia.

Claude Buchanan, and Miss Susie Olebear, both of Vandalia.

Miss Lucille Howell, of Kansas City arrived home Saturday for a short visit with her father, J. W. Howell.

E. D. Wood, of Fulton, spent Sunday in this city.

## SELL "JAKE" AND GET IN "JAKE"

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 26.—Sale of liquor containing more than 1/2 of 1 per cent of alcohol is a violation of the Missouri prohibition enforcement law regardless of whether the liquor is "potable or capable of being used as a beverage," Division No. 2 of the Supreme Court held in an opinion handed down last week.

Section 6602, revised statutes of 1919, defines "intoxicating liquors" as "any distilled, malt, spirituous, vinous, fermented or alcoholic liquor, all alcoholic liquors, whether proprietary, patented or not, which contain 1/2 of 1 per cent centum of alcohol by volume and which are potable or capable of being used as a beverage."

J. B. Fenley, who conducts a grocery at Fulton, was convicted of violation of the prohibition laws Jan. 19, 1921, in connection with the sale of a bottle of Jamaica ginger. The Sheriff, after the sale was reported to him, found 2645 empty bottles labeled, "Jamaica ginger" in the rear of the store.

Fenley appealed to the Supreme Court from \$150 fine, contending that Jamaica ginger was not "potable or capable of being used as a beverage." He urged that the prosecution had failed to establish that it was.

The opinion, in which all Judges of the division concurred, held the clause of the law regarding potability or capability of liquor being used for beverage purposes to be invalid, but expressly stated that the remainder of the section was not affected. The fine assessed against Fenley was affirmed.

### A Surprise Party

The friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hill surprised them Sunday the 24th. Some thirty or more gathered at their home on East Orange street, all bringing well filled baskets, and spread a most bounteous dinner. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sims, and son, Edwin, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sims and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sims and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Walker, Mr. and Mrs. William Harvey and sons, Henry and Harrison of Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. George Hill, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hill and two sons, Mrs. John Charlton, Miss Lena Archer, Mrs. Kate Willingham, Wilford Bowles, Will Craven, and Mrs. Walter Walker. After dinner was served, the evening was spent in music and pleasant conversation. At a late hour the company dispersed, all wishing "Grandpa" and "Grandma" a merry Christmas and happy new year.

### William Jewell Students Here.

John Shoush, a 1922 graduate of McMillan High, who is now attending William Jewell College, was in Mexico on business Wednesday. John, who is taking a ministerial course, preached his first sermon last Sunday evening at Immanuel Baptist church in Moberly. His many Mexican friends are glad to learn of his splendid progress.

Other students of William Jewell who have arrived in Mexico for the holidays are: William Ragsdale, Peyton Emmons and Cloyd Dunn.

### MODERN SMART FICTION IS CALLED UNCLEAN IN SERMON

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 22.—Modern heroes and heroines of fiction "smell of the gutter" and the "vamp" is held up for emulation, said the Rev. Dr. Joseph Krauskopf, in his sermon on the "Fleshy School" of writing at Temple Keneeth Israel. "The novel of our day had its course deflected from a healthy channel to a filthy sewer," said Dr. Krauskopf. "It is wrong, the indecent, the unclean, the immoral is now on top."

### DEAD MAN AND LIVING EQUALLY TO BLAME IN FATAL CAR CRASH

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 22.—A dead man was held equally responsible with a living man in a verdict of criminal carelessness returned today by a coroner's jury which investigated the death Sunday afternoon of Lawrence B. Ryan, a real estate dealer, and Nathan Knight, negro, who were killed when an automobile driven by Ryan, collided with a street car. The verdict held that Ryan and the motorist of the street car, Ernest Burch, were equally responsible.

### TRAIN DESERTERS TO PLAY LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Eight

railroad men, including engineers, trainmen and others, were convicted of conspiracy to obstruct interstate commerce, for their activities in connection with a strike last August against the Santa Fe, by verdict of a jury in the United States district court here. In this strike about twenty trains were abandoned in the California-Arizona desert, leaving the passengers stranded.

### PASSENGERS ON C. & A.

TRAIN ENTERTAINED WITH PICTURE SHOW. Motion pictures were shown successfully for the first time on a moving train by the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company Tuesday. The show was inaugurated on the Alton Limited Red Train from Chicago to St. Louis.

The pictures will be a part of the regular train service on all trains operated by the C. & A. for the entertainment of passengers between St. Louis and Chicago. The show starts about 2 p. m. or as soon as the scenes can be "shifted," and the dining car transformed into a show house. There will be two shows daily.

## MCM. LOSES TO SALISBURY; SCORE 16-13

The McMillan High School basketball team lost to the Salisbury team in Hardin Gymnasium Thursday evening with a score of 16-13. This was the first game of the season for the local team and it did exceptionally well considering the fact that only two of the men, Harold Thomas, recently elected captain of the home team, and Harry McCune had ever played in a match game before. The floor work of the McMillan team was good but the game proved that McMillan has good material this year and will have an excellent team before the close of the basketball season.

At the end of the first half the score was 6-4 in favor of the visitors. In the last few minutes of play Thomas fell and cut his head and was taken out and Campbell was substituted for McClure who was almost worn out. The feature of the playing of the McMillan team was the free throwing of Bennett Williams who made seven out of nine goals.

Salisbury does not play football so from the beginning of the season plays basketball first out of doors and later inside. This was about the twentieth game of the season for that team.

The McMillan lineup was as follows: McClure, center; Shesley and Thomas, forwards; Williams and Johnson, guards. Sword was substituted for Thomas and Campbell for McClure.

The next game for McMillan will be with the alumni next Friday evening, December 29.

Marion Dry acted as cheer leader for McMillan. Music was furnished during the halves by the uniformed McMillan band, which following the game marched to town and gave a short concert.

### TOMB OF GREAT PHARAOH FOUND

BY AN AMERICAN. LONDON, Dec. 26.—Egyptologists here are profoundly interested and excited at the announcement of the discovery by Howard Carter, American archaeologist, of the tomb of Kink Tut-Ankhamen.

It is declared this is perhaps the last undiscovered tomb of the great pharaohs and certainly one of the least molested by robbers. Until opened by Carter last month the long centuries have hidden this old king's burial place, except that there is the appearance of having once been opened and resealed—probably by some ancient authorities who frustrated some band of brigands in an attempt at looting the tomb.

It is declared that the tomb shows that the Egyptians of those days had marvelous knowledge and conception of art, and that the skill and craftsmanship has not since been excelled. Life size statues of the king, his throne, boxes containing robes of the queen, chariots ornamented with the most precious stones, gilt couches, marvelous alabaster vases, all reveal astounding artistic excellence.

Months of careful examination by experts will be needed to gauge the full significance of the discovery.

### HAROLD G. NICHOLS, ONLY MONTH OLD: DIES XMAS DAY

Harold G. Nichols, one month old, son of Mr. and Mrs. Beverly Nichols, of east Liberty st., died at 11 a. m. Christmas day after a short illness. The body was taken to Hawk Point, Mo. and Mrs. Nichols, former home, for interment Monday. The Ledger joins their many friends in extending deepest sympathy.

### MARY A. McHUGH DIES HERE ON CHRISTMAS DAY

Mrs. Mary A. McHugh, 58 years old, a native of Callaway county, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mattie Kanaly, Christmas morning at 1 o'clock. She had been ill sometime. The body was taken to Carrington, Callaway county, Monday for burial. The Ledger joins friends of the family in extending sincerest sympathy.

### A Warm Christmas.

On Christmas day the mercury registered 62, 32 above freezing. This was the warmest Christmas we have had in Mexico since 1904. In fact the past week has been so warm that many holidays were greatly worried over how Santa Claus would reach here with his usual pack of gifts. However he came on time, as usual.

### With The Ledger.

A. H. Washburn, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., a student in the School of Journalism, Missouri University, is acting city editor of the Ledger this week during the absence of Miss Loula Franklin, who is home on a visit. The Ledger will appreciate any courtesies shown him.

### Injured Last Thursday.

Joe Smith, who is on the Offutt farm south of Benton City, was badly injured Thursday when he came in contact with a wood saw. His left arm was painfully cut.

W. F. Corl is home from a business trip to Pittsburgh, Philadelphia and New York. He reports business as good in the East.

Judge E. A. Shannon, who was recently operated on at the Audrain Hospital, was at his office Tuesday. He is looking fine. The Ledger joins in welcoming him back to work.

H. Meyers, of Rush Hill, was a visitor here Sunday.

## MENTAL TESTS FOR SPEEDERS AT DETROIT

DETROIT, Dec. 21.—Mental tests for speeders; to determine their degree of insanity were inaugurated by Judge Charles L. Bartlett in recorders' court here Wednesday.

This action, it is believed, will reduce decisively the number of deaths from motor accidents in this city, which, at the close of this year, will show a marked increase over 1921.

Judge Bartlett recently set a precedent by taking drivers found guilty of speeding, to the morgue to view bodies of accident victims.

Under his new plan, which he announced just before going on the bench today, Judge Bartlett will remand persons found guilty of violating speed laws to Dr. A. L. Jacoby, psychiatrist of his court, for mental investigation. The examinations will be conducted in open court and if Dr. Jacoby decides that those examined are mentally deficient, Judge Bartlett will order them to a hospital to be treated in the same manner as other insane persons.

Persons ordered to take mental treatment will lose their operating licenses and a report of their case and mental condition will be filed with the secretary of state. These violators never will be permitted to renew their licenses and if ever arrested for driving a motor car will be subject to a long term of imprisonment.

Judge Bartlett bases his authority to order mental tests on section 8 of the public acts, which reads:

"The court shall also have power to make provision for psychopathic investigations and examinations and treatments of persons coming before said court."

"No method is too severe to prevent death," Judge Bartlett said in outlining his mental test plan "I believe this new method will stop thousands of accidents each year."

### DISCOVERY MAY LOCATE SOURCE OF ELECTRICITY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Scientists of the Carnegie institution have developed an instrument which measures the electricity that comes to the earth from the invisible universal dynamo, it was announced today.

The instrument, or a further development of it, may eventually locate the source of electricity, it is believed. It is the work of Dr. S. J. Mauchly and H. W. Fisk, of the department of terrestrial magnetism of Carnegie institution.

By means of the instrument greater accuracy in determining the apparent variation of the north magnetic pole is possible. The indicator of the finest compass now points 30 degrees west of true north. The variation has totalled 20 degrees in the last 64 years.

This variation is not of the magnetic pole itself but it is the effect on the compass of electric waves or rays moving toward the earth.

### AIRPLANE SPEED COP MAKES FIRST ARREST: SUMMONS FROM AIR

SAN JOSE, CAL., Dec. 21.—The first arrest by an airplane speed cop was officially completed today, when Dominic Bifore reported in response to a summons dropped in front of his automobile by Traffic Officer Robert Byer as the latter rode in an airplane.

Byers noticed the speeding automobile on the road beneath, made out the summons and dropped it on the road. The driver of the car slowed down, picked it up and today appeared to answer to the speeding charge.

He was said to be going forty-five miles an hour.

### THE ALLIGATOR IS STILL MISSING, BUT THE CAT CAME BACK

HUTCHISON, KAS., Dec. 22.—A Kansas cat proved entirely too much for a Florida alligator, and so the alligator population of Raymond, Kas., near here, is one shy today.

Elmer Norris of Raymond recently brought home an alligator from Florida. It was sunning itself in the backyard yesterday when the family cat came along, seized it, and when last seen, it was dragging it toward the distant sandhills. The alligator has not been seen since but the cat came back.

### BRICK PLANT PAID MEN WITH NEW ONE DOLLAR BILLS

The A. P. Green Fire Brick Co., paid off their employees Saturday with new one dollar bills. Which answers the query of many Mexican merchants Tuesday when they went to bank their receipts and found so many new bills in their deposit.

### HIDES AND FURS.

We continue as we have for the last 42 years to pay the highest prices for the above. SAM MORRIS. 36 ft Advertisement

S. P. Cunningham and son, Eric, arrived in Mexico Friday night from St. Louis. Mr. Cunningham recently underwent an operation at Barnes Hospital and his friends here will be glad to hear of his recovery. His son, who is attending school at Washington University, will spend the Holiday with his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Eppa F. Elliot spent Christmas with relatives in Hallsville.

George Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Marshall, spent Christmas with his parents in this city.

## 35,000 VIOLATE OUR DRY LAWS IN PAST YEAR

Washington, D. C. Dec. 19.—About 35,000 were arrested in this country last year for violating the prohibition law. Federal officials convicted in criminal cases 22,749 persons and secured 120,000 in judgments in civil suits.

The population of the federal prisons for the same period increased to 6,395 compared with 5,268 for the last fiscal year, Heber H. Votaw, brother-in-law of President Harding, and superintendent of prisons reported. The increase was held due largely to increased violation of the anti-drug act, counterfeiting and violation of the postal laws.

White slavery is on the decrease, William J. Burns, head of the bureau of investigation of the department, reported. A total of 1,885 years in prison was imposed on the 3,526 persons convicted for white slavery, Burns stated. Fines totaled \$386,743.

Practically all organized white slave gangs have been broken up, with their members either in jail or in hiding in foreign countries, Burns reported.

## PAUL ALTHOUSE HIGHLY PRAISED IN ST. LOUIS

Paul Althouse, noted tenor, who will give a concert here in March as the last number on the Artists series at Hardin College, was soloist at the fifth concert by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra in St. Louis and received much praise from critics. The St. Louis Globe Democrat in speaking of Mr. Althouse's singing says in part:

"Mr. Althouse sang his best before the audience at the Odeon last night. The vocalist's giving of the Donizetti romance from 'The Exilist of Love' was an earnest essay and he experienced no difficulty in singing over the large orchestra. The tenor also sang the Varykile Idyl with deep feeling."

### RESCUER OF FIRST ELIZA DEAD AT 72

WABASH, IND.—While Eliza of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" fame continues twice a day in the "Ten, twenty and thirty—with a few sofas at fifty" theaters of the country, to cross the ice to escape from a brutal plantation owner, the man who took the original Eliza across the ice of the Ohio in Ripley, Ind., in 1850, is dead.

He was Maj. M. M. Lacey, and word of his demise, in Fountain City, has reached here. Major Lacey, assisted by his brother, William, also a resident of this country at the time, was one of the pioneers who established the "underground" railroad through Indiana.

One of the stations was a dwelling house here, which is standing on top of underground tunnels that have been blocked by falling dirt that filtered in after they were abandoned. The major used to tell of his exploit, although he admitted that his greatest adventure was the rescue of Eliza Harris the "Original Eliza" of Mrs. Stowe's novel.

In his explanation he said that he and his associates were actuated by religious motives in their work to help runaway slaves make their way to New England and into Canada, where they were safe from arrest.

Men who never broke another law in all their lives openly defied the statutes in assisting runaway slaves. Major Lacey was one of these and during the war between the states he served in the Union army. After the war he and his brother served as ministers and also acted as federal law enforcement officers.

### AND THEY DRINK THIS KIND OF STUFF WITHOUT QUESTION

New York, December 21.—Patrolman Donohue, custodian of one of the police department store houses for seized liquor, today found one specimen in a five gallon can which had eaten its way through the container and was trickling out on the floor.

Deciding it was too potent for human consumption, he called James Puzio, an assistant, and together they lifted the can and started to pour its contents into the gutter.

As they tilted it up, the "liquor" exploded and set fire to Puzio's clothing. He was burned so badly that he had to go to a hospital for treatment. The patrolman's hands were severely burned.

### WOMAN EDUCATOR FOILS BOLD BANDIT BY KIDNAPING HIM ABOUT GREEN NECKTIE

San Francisco, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Barbara Nachtrieb Grimes of the University of California faculty met a man on market street who demanded, at the point of a gun, her purse. "How romantic," she exclaimed. "I've often wondered how it felt to be held up. Go right on. It's most intriguing."

The bold robber stopped. "I like your green necktie," she went on. "Please give it to me for a souvenir."

That was all the man could stand in the way of kidnapping. He ran and Mrs. Grimes kept her purse.

More than 70 per cent of the world's production of crude rubber is consumed by American rubber manufacturers.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL Sunday School 'Lesson'

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### LESSON FOR DECEMBER 31

#### REVIEW

GOLDEN TEXT—The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor.—Luke 4:18.  
DEVOTIONAL READING—Psalm 98.  
PRIMARY TOPIC—Favored Stories of the Quarter.  
JUNIOR TOPIC—Jesus Went About Doing Good.  
INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—How Jesus Ministered to the People.  
YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Some Characteristics of Jesus' Ministry.

Since all the lessons of the quarter have one from Luke, and the central and unifying theme is Jesus Christ, a profitable way to conduct the review, as suggested in Peloubet's Notes, would be to assign the following topics to the members of the class to make a brief report upon:

1. Christ's Mission to the World.
2. Christ's Helpers and How He Used Them.
3. Christ's Divine Power and How He Exercised It.
4. Christ's Methods of Teaching.
5. Christ's Love in Its Many Manifestations.
6. Christ's Courage and How He Showed It.
7. Christ's Foes and His Dealings With Them.
8. Christ's Pity for Sinners.
9. Christ's Passing Through Human Experience.
10. Christ as a Missionary and an Organizer.
11. Christ's Relation to the Father.
12. Christ's Preparation for the Climax of His Life.

Another way would be by summarizing each lesson, stating the outstanding topic and teaching of each lesson. The following suggestions are offered:

Lesson 1. The birth of John the Baptist, which from the human standpoint was impossible, was announced to his father, Zacharias. For his unbelief he was smitten with dumbness. God expects of his servant unquestioned belief in what He promises.

Lesson 2. Jesus was born in Bethlehem just as the prophet had foretold some 700 years before, and at the age of twelve years he consciously entered into the services of God's house. Though conscious of His divine being and mission, He lived a life of filial obedience.

Lesson 3. John the Baptist's ministry was a preparation for the coming of Christ. He fearlessly preached repentance and pronounced judgment upon the impenitent. Though a mighty preacher, he humbly declared that Christ was immeasurably greater than himself.

Lesson 4. Jesus Christ after His baptism was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil. The purpose was to test the reality of the incarnation. The result was complete victory—a demonstration of His ability to save to the uttermost all who trust Him.

Lesson 5. Isaiah foretold the golden age upon the earth when Christ will reign.

Lesson 6. While Jesus was here He healed all kinds of diseases and cast out devils. He authenticated His mission and proved His power to forgive sins by miraculous deeds.

Lesson 7. Jesus taught the disciples the principles which should govern in His kingdom. Only those who have been born from above can love their enemies.

Lesson 8. While in Simon's house at dinner, a woman who had been a notorious sinner anointed Jesus' feet and wiped them with her hair. The sinner's gratitude to Jesus for forgiveness is measured by the apprehension of sins forgiven.

Lesson 9. Jesus went forth throughout every city preaching the glad tidings of the Kingdom of God. The fact of salvation for sins through a crucified Redeemer is truly glad tidings.

Lesson 10. Jesus sent forth missionaries with the realization of the big task before them, and with power to perform supernatural deeds to authenticate their mission. Those who realize the bigness of their task will earnestly pray that the Lord will send forth laborers into His harvest.

Lesson 11. Jesus' reply to the question of a certain lawyer, "Who is my neighbor?" shows that the all-important consideration is not "Who is my neighbor?" but "How can I show that I am a neighbor?"

Lesson 12. A certain rich man in his perplexity over his prosperity decided to provide larger stores and settle down to a life of sensuous indulgence. The one who lays up treasures on earth and is not rich toward God is a fool.

Consolation, Love, Faith, Hope, Life. May Consolation smile on every pain, and Love put her balm on every wound that life bears! May Faith strengthen you all in your unavoidable trials and Hope whisper through all sorrows that this terrestrial life of ours is a mere shadow of the Life that never dies.—Maximilian.

### Charity Among Yourselves.

But before all things have a constant mutual charity among yourselves, for charity covereth a multitude of sins.—1 Peter 4:8.

H. W. Hunter, of Carreno, Texas, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Maddox.

Mrs. Gladys Wood of Vandalia was a Mexico visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morris are spending the Holidays in Kansas City.

Misses Leola Ruth Turner and Miss Norma Tolson are spending the Christmas Holidays in Cincinnati.

## DESERTED WIFE OF PHYSICIAN HAS DIED

Mrs. Bertie Miller, the deserted wife of Dr. H. B. Miller, who left Mexico recently between sons with another woman who he had introduced as his wife, died in Kansas City last Sunday according to newspaper stories published there.

Mrs. Miller was living in Benton City while Dr. Miller resided in Mexico with the woman supposed to be his wife. She stated to the Ledger that she knew nothing of conditions here except that Dr. Miller wanted her to remain in Benton City.

She had been in ill health for some time though her death came as a complete surprise to her many friends in Benton City. She leaves a fourteen year old daughter living with her parents in the East.

### W. B. STEVENS' HEADS HISTORICAL SOCIETY

COLUMBIA, MO., December 15.—Walter B. Stevens of St. Louis was elected president of the Missouri State Historical Society at a meeting of the Executive Committee here this afternoon. Vice presidents were elected as follows: George A. Mahan, Hannibal; Louis Houck, Cape Girardeau; Cornelius Roach, Kansas City; Louis T. Golding, St. Louis; Walter S. Dickey, Kansas City; and Albert M. Clark, Richmond, R. B. Price of Columbia was elected treasurer.

Trustees were elected as follows: William C. Breckenridge, St. Louis; George A. Mahan, Hannibal; William R. Painter, Carrollton; H. S. Sturgis, Neosho; Jonas Viles, Columbia; E. M. Violette, Kirksville; J. B. White, Kansas City; R. M. White, Mexico; Walter Williams, Columbia; Ben L. Emmons, St. Charles; Charles H. Whitaker, Clinton; G. W. Martin, Brookfield; J. West Goodwin, Sedalia; Louis Houck, Cape Girardeau; Isador Loeb, Columbia; John Isthmianer St. Louis; C. H. McClure of Warrensburg and Rolin J. Britton of Kansas City.

The society now has a membership of 2335, according to Floyd C. Shoemaker, secretary, and is at present engaged in compiling a "Who's Who" for Missouri. It maintains a large library of books, pamphlets and bound volumes of Missouri newspapers in the University of Missouri Library Building.

### A CODE FOR WALKERS, TOO

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Dec. 15.—Determined to check the mounting wave of motor car deaths, following recent publicity given to the big death list in California as well as in other states, the California state motor vehicle department has drawn up a drastic set of regulations, which will be presented to the legislature for enactment as law.

The strict code also seeks to govern the actions of pedestrians, holding that the motorist is not always to blame for highway accidents,